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1. U.S. Patent No. 5,834,566 issued November 10, 1998 to Helmer-Metzmann et al.
2. EP 1 091 435 A1, published April 11, 2001 to Daikin Industries, Ltd. was previously cited on PTO/SB/08 form dated April 13, 2005.
3. EP 1 126 537 A1, published August 22, 2001 to Asahi Glass Company, Ltd. was previously cited on PTO/SB/08 form dated April 13, 2005.

4. JP 2002-260687 A, published September 13, 2002 to Sumitomo Chemical Co., Ltd.

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5. JP 2002-289222 A, published October 4, 2002 to Mitsui Chemicals, Inc. was previously cited on PTO/SB/08 form dated April 13, 2005.

References 2-5 were previously listed documents on the PTO/SB/08 form dated April 13, 2005. For the Examiner's convenience, copies are enclosed herewith. The following U.S. Patent No. 5,834,566 is not being submitted.

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